

ROBERT CUNNINGHAM.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 464.]

MARCH 23, 1860.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom were referred the petition and papers of Lieutenant Robert Cunningham, of Pennsylvania, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report:

That it appears, from the testimony before the committee, that the petitioner entered the service of the United States as first lieutenant, in Captain Daniel McKowen's company of Pennsylvania militia, at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, on the 21st day of April, 1813, and served until the 8th day of November the same year, and was honorably discharged. It appears, from the certificate of Drs. Walker and Lutz, that Robert Cunningham was a lieutenant in Captain Daniel McKowen's company, in the regiment commanded by Colonel Reese Hill, Pennsylvania militia, and while in the service of the United States was rendered incapable of performing military duty as a soldier, by reason of wounds and injuries received as aforesaid, and in the line of duty. And, from an accurate examination, it appears that on or about the 1st of June, 1813, at a place called Erie, in the State of Pennsylvania, the said Cunningham was attacked with measles; and from retrocession bronchial disease was developed, which confined him to his bed about three weeks, and laid the foundation of asthmatic affection, which has continued up to the present time, and increases in severity with his age, and from the slightest exposure or cold he paroxysms recur; and, finally, are of the opinion the said Cunningham is totally unable to obtain his subsistence by manual labor. The petitioner is further sustained by the affidavits of Drs. Hassin and Robinson, who have frequently been called to attend the said Cunningham for a combination of diseases—such as pains in the limbs, asthma, bronchial, as well as sciatic affection of the right hip-joint, contracted, in their opinion, from exposure and sickness while in the service of the United States, and in the line of his duty, and consider the said Cunningham totally unable to gain his subsistence by manual labor. The statement of the petitioner is further corroborated by the affidavits of twelve persons, duly authenticated, who are well acquainted

with the petitioner from the time he entered the army up to the present, and entirely concur in the statement of the petitioner as to his present disability, and have no doubt it has resulted from sickness and exposure while in the army of the United States, and in the line of his duty. Your committee, after a full examination of the case, are of the opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief, and report a bill accordingly, and recommend its passage.

March 28, 1888.

Mr. Foster, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom were referred the petition and papers of Robert Cunningham, of Pennsylvania, and had the same under consideration, say leave to report:

That it appears, from the testimony before the committee, that the petitioner entered the service of the United States as first lieutenant in Captain Daniel McIlwain's company of Pennsylvania militia, on the 21st day of April, 1813, and served until the 31st day of November the same year, and was honorably discharged. It appears, from the certificate of Mrs. Walker and wife, that Robert Cunningham was a lieutenant in Captain Daniel McIlwain's company, in the regiment commanded by Colonel Isaac Hill, Pennsylvania militia, and while in the service of the United States was rendered incapable of performing military duty as a soldier, by reason of wounds and injuries received as a soldier, and in the line of duty. And, from an accurate examination, it appears that on or about the 1st of June, 1813, at a place called Little in the State of Pennsylvania, the said Cunningham was attacked with measles; and from testimony of the said Cunningham, which was developed, which confirmed him in his bed about three weeks, and laid the foundation of catarrh of the bladder, which has continued up to the present time, and increases in severity with his age, and from the slightest exposure or cold he contracts; and, finally, one of the opinions of the said Cunningham is that he is totally unable to obtain his subsistence by manual labor. The petitioner is further sustained by the affidavits of Drs. Hixon and Johnson, who have frequently been called to attend the said Cunningham, for a complication of diseases—such as piles in the lower rectum, bronchitis, as well as catarrh of the right hip-joint, contracted in their opinion, from exposure and sickness while in the service of the United States, and in the line of his duty, and consider the said Cunningham totally unable to gain his subsistence by manual labor. The statement of the petitioner is further corroborated by the affidavits of twelve persons, duly authenticated, who are well acquainted